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I definitely object to the proposed settlement in the Microsoft case. Microsoft was found guilty in court. Microsoft and it's chairman and lawyers lied time after time in court.

What message is my government sending to me? Break the law, lie about it, and then the government will pretend no one was hurt and help me make more money by screwing other US citizens.

Microsoft prevents me, a hard working American from using the very best software in the world. With their monopoly, they force me to buy buggy, defective software at an inflated price because the competition was forced from the market.

Any settlement should not be about punishment so much as about preventing future monopolistic and anti competitive business practices.

They must be strictly monitored by outside unbiased monitors. They must not be given the opportunity to break the law again. Strict regulation is in order. Monetary damages are also in order. Companies should not get to keep profits earned through illegal operations. Again, if I break the law, I am sure the government will seize my assets.

Thank You

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